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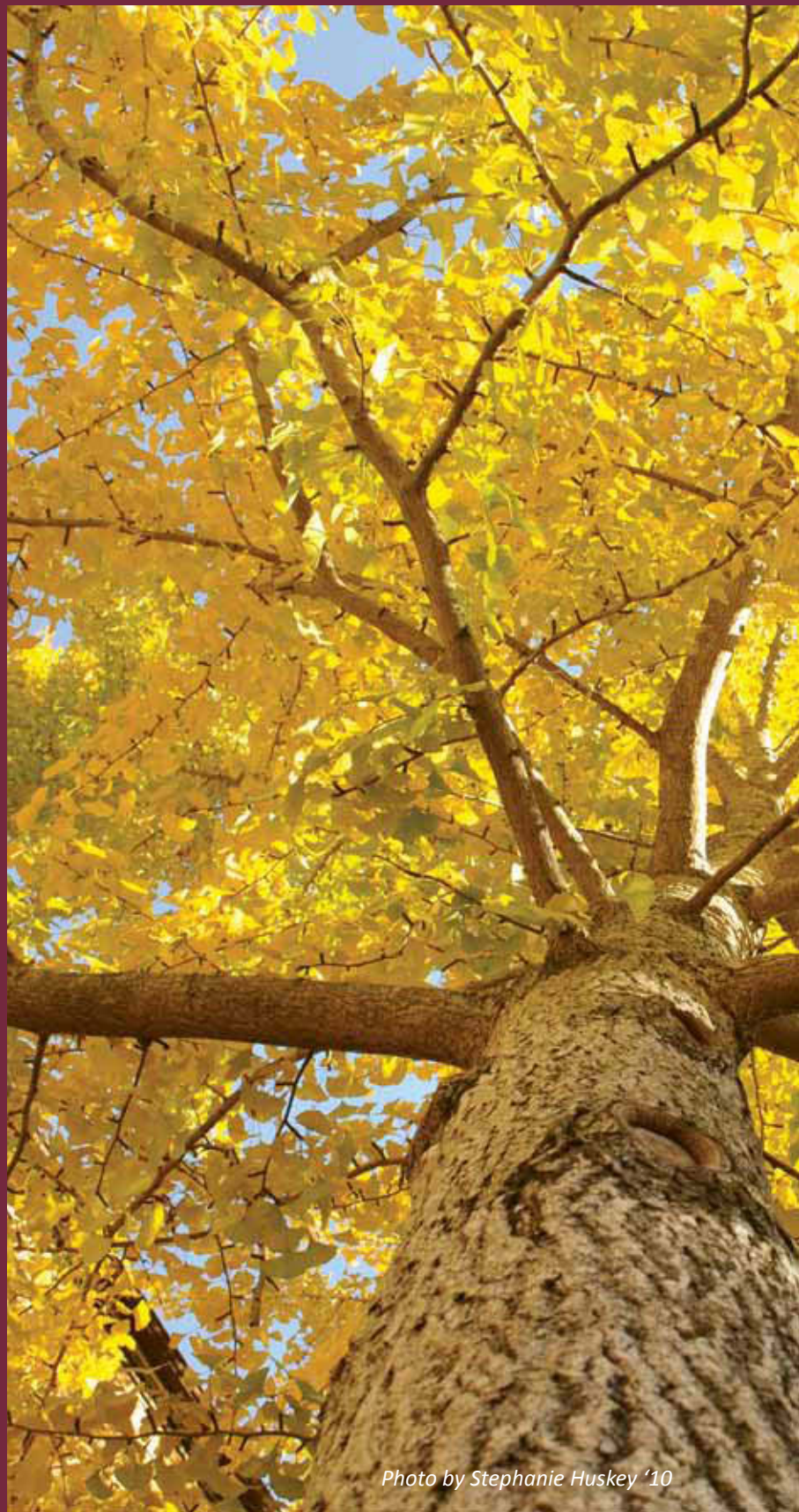


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*Educating Students To Become Servants of Christ
To Make a Difference in Today's World.*



The gracious hand of the Lord Ezra 7:6

*A*s I reflect on how miraculously our God is working in the lives of students and all of us who are privileged to be a part of the ministry of Bryan, I can only say that it is a result of the gracious hand of the Lord. The prophet Ezra was greatly used of the Lord to strengthen his people spiritually and prepare them for the work of the Lord, and five times he gives credit to the gracious hand of his God!

Even as we are today, Ezra faced the challenge of his people worshipping false gods—following a worldview that excluded worship of the one true God. Instead of transforming the culture, they were seduced by the spiritual gods around them. Part of our students' education is to expose these idols—these intellectual worldviews that deny that there is only one God and one way to know Him through Jesus Christ.

We would do well to emulate Ezra. He presented himself to God for whatever God desired to do with and through his life; he prepared himself diligently in the vocation God gave to him; he performed well in the ministry he was given, and he praised His God for all that happened. And like Ezra, we know that the work of Bryan is accomplished only by the gracious hand of our God.

This *Bryan Life* issue chronicles the undeserved favor of our Lord. We are blessed with a record enrollment of 778 traditional students plus nearly 500 in our degree completion, graduate, on-line and dual-enrollment programs. Our entrance is virtually completed, the 12 new townhouses are finished and occupied by our upper-level students, the softball field will soon be ready for our women's softball program, the new visual arts program has its own home, and the list goes on.

God has led some wonderful new faculty and staff members our way, strengthening the unique education that Bryan affords her students. The Acts Project provided our students this summer with the opportunity to live out their chosen vocations missionally, and a significant gift of timberland from Holland Ware strengthened our financial future. The Worldview Initiative is unveiling a powerful new program for Christian school students and faculty, and our School of Adult and Graduate Studies is unveiling our new Knoxville center that will be ready for students in January.

As you rejoice with us in God's grace, please pray daily that we will all have the courage and commitment to be Ezras, that God would use us to prepare students to reflect the glory of our Lord to this generation.

Ezra "determined to study, obey, and teach the decrees and regulations of the Law of the Lord to those in his care" Ezra 7:10.

Stephen D. Livesay

\$2 Million Gift Means Scholarships Do Grow on Trees!

A gift of timberland in Florida is expected to produce a stream of income for Bryan College, making it one of the largest contributions in recent years, President Stephen D. Livesay has announced.

Holland Ware, a philanthropist and self-described tree farmer from Georgia, has donated 1,263 acres of managed timberland near Tallahassee, Fla., to the college, Dr. Livesay said. The college will continue to manage the property for the foreseeable future, with revenues expected to total some \$357,000 over the next five years. The property itself is valued over \$2 million.

"Mr. Ware once again has demonstrated his commitment to education and his regard for Bryan College with this gift," Dr. Livesay said. "Earlier contributions over \$1.3 million endowed Presidential scholarships and assisted with other projects. This significant gift will provide continuing support for the college as we continue to offer a quality Christ-centered education to a growing number of students."

Mr. Ware's earlier major gift underwrote Presidential Scholarships, the top academic award presented by the college. Ware Presidential Scholars are chosen on the basis of high school grades, college entrance test scores, an essay, and an interview with Bryan faculty.

Blake Hudson, Bryan's vice president for advancement, said the income would be used to support the Bryan College Scholarship Fund.

In addition, Jeff Main, who manages much of Mr.

Ware's timber properties, has volunteered his services to manage this tract for Bryan.

"My motivation is simple: to see Christ glorified in any way possible," he said. "I strongly believe in and support Christian education at all levels and count it a blessing to assist a premier Christian college like Bryan in this manner. My strong opinion of the school's qualities only increased during my meeting with Dr. Livesay and Mr. Hudson. I am very pleased to provide my company's services and labor without charge to Bryan in the hopes that it will in some small way assist the college to further its mission."

Mr. Main explained that his services involve evaluating timber resources and developing a management plan using financial tools and models to meet the property owner's objectives.



Jeff Main

Bryan welcomes the class of 2014



A near-record
entering
class of 273 is
just the latest

example of “the gracious hand of our God” on Bryan College, President Livesay told an auditorium full of new students and their families as the 2010-11 academic year began.

“When I look and see you all here in a time of recession and challenge economically, and see what is going on on campus, I can only give credit to our God,” he said. “God is doing great things for us—the townhouses, the new entrance, a growing enrollment. What a lesson for us that our hope, our prosperity, our future are all in the hands of Almighty God.”

Dr. Livesay’s comments came at the orientation meeting for new students and their families on Aug. 21, the day most of the newcomers moved into their campus housing. They had been met that morning by some 200 continuing students who helped direct traffic, unload cars, and carry belongings into residence hall rooms.

Student body President Alison Young told the group, “We (student leaders who helped with the move-in process) are here because we love to lead, and we lead by service. I challenge you freshmen to consider what is your purpose this year. Don’t be defined by your major or a group, but be defined by Christ and His glory.”

Dayton Mayor Bob Vincent also welcomed the new members of the Bryan family. “Bryan is very much a part of our community,” he said. “The cooperation between the students and the merchants downtown is great.” He praised students for their efforts to serve the community and said local residents appreciate their involvement.

As students left to meet their orientation group leaders, Dean of Community Life Bruce Morgan led a session for parents to ask questions about the Bryan experience their

students were beginning. Questions about computers, transportation, communication between the college and parents and how students can access cash were answered by a panel of parents, students and college personnel.

One parent asked about required church attendance, and Vice President for Spiritual Formation Matt Benson responded that there is a motivation behind such policies. "I'm interested in giving students a vision for how to live well, not just for the next four years but for the next 60."

During the convocation service the evening before classes began Academic Vice President Dr. Bradford Sample reminded students that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. I encourage you to grow deeper in your faith. Dig deeply. Ask good questions. Our faculty and staff are eager to engage with you, to probe the mysteries of life."

Convocation speaker Dr. Robert Norris, pastor of Fourth Presbyterian Church in Bethesda, Md., picked up on the theme of living a life of spiritual significance. "You are being prepared to live in these times and shape these times," he said. "In the face of a meltdown of a society, there is a witness of the Word and the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ."

"Information has never been the goal of Christian education, but creation and



development of Christian character to serve the purposes of God in the world."

He said, "A Bryan College education does equip you for future careers. But its major purpose is development of the whole person and preparation for the life of Christ to shine in the midst of a society with all its challenges."

He acknowledged the reality of struggles in life, adding, "It is vital that your knowledge of God keep up with your intellect and social growth. If you are content with a junior high or high school understanding of God, there will be a gap between that understanding and the reality of the world you confront. You will encounter times when the world seems to be victorious over the Church. It may be victorious sometimes, but it does not win."

"If you choose to identify yourself with all that Bryan teaches, it will change you. You will change, grow, and mature as men and women of Christ."



Enrollment Fall 2010

Traditional	778
Non-traditional	474
Total	1,252

TOWNHOUSES OPEN



A dream many years old is so near reality it is quickly becoming part of the Bryan landscape.

Vice President of Operations Tim Hostetler said Landes Way and a sidewalk tie the townhouses to the rest of campus, but the new entrance road lacks finish paving between the new residence halls and Richland Street. "That will be complete by homecoming," he said.

The Tennessee Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the City of Dayton, has agreed to build the actual intersection with U.S. 27. That part of the project, including the section between Richland Street and the highway, is awaiting final arrangements by the governmental bodies before work proceeds.

Along with construction of the new entrance has come construction of parking lots behind Rudd Auditorium, development of a softball field, installation of restroom facilities at the soccer field which will be operational by homecoming, and construction of a parking lot for alumni at Rhea House.

IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR



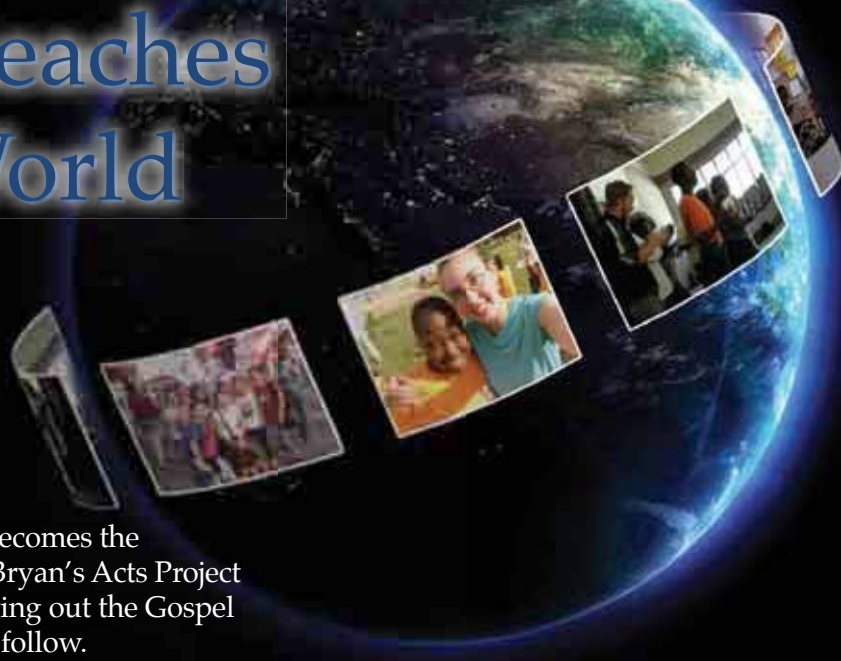
While Bryan College boasts many families that have long association with the college through multiple generations of students and many siblings attending, the college is a good place for family members to work together. Pictured as the school year began are co-workers who also are family members. From left:

1. Tom Davis, director of public information, with daughters Elaine Davis, instructor and art fellow, and Pamela Davis, instructor in English.
2. Tim Shetter, assistant dean of community life, and his mother, Judy Shetter, assistant director of financial aid.
3. Sharon Zensen, receptionist, and her husband, Dr. Sandy Zensen, athletics director and head men's soccer coach.
4. Dr. David Luther and his wife, Dr. Sigrid Luther, professors of music.
5. President Livesay and his wife, Corinne Livesay, director of web communications.
6. Jody Cheon, assistant director of admissions. Her husband, Gary Cheon (NS), is a maintenance worker.
7. Darlene Lestmann, performing arts coordinator. Her husband, Dr. Phil Lestmann (NS), is professor of mathematics.
8. Brenda Wooten, associate registrar, and her daughter, Jennifer Travis, coordinator of field experience/education specialist.
9. Dr. Raymond Legg, professor of English, and his wife, Margie Legg, executive assistant to the president.
10. Keri-Lynn Paulson, reference librarian (and daughter of Phil and Darlene Lestmann), and her husband, Steve Paulson, director of information technology services.
11. Dr. Roger Sanders, assistant director of the Center for Origins Research, and his wife, Connie Sanders, reference librarian.
12. Donna Belisle, admissions office manager. Her husband, Bernie Belisle (NS), is director of the theatre program.
13. Kimberly Keck, assistant professor of music, and her husband, Steve Keck, director of development.
14. Tim Hostetler, vice president of operations. His wife, Anita Hostetler (NS), is an adjunct faculty member.
15. Stephanie Wood, archivist, and her husband, Dr. Todd Wood, director of the Center for Origins Research.

*(NS) – Not Shown



Acts Project Reaches Around the World



In the summer, the world becomes the classroom for students in Bryan's Acts Project as they get a glimpse of living out the Gospel in whatever vocation they follow.

Danielle Rebman, assistant director of spiritual formation, spent her second summer visiting students and their host organizations, while Bonnie-Marie Yager, assistant director of worldview formation, spent three weeks as a mentor to interns in India, pitching in to help with the students' work when called on.

Fourteen students had Acts Project internships in Europe, Africa, the Middle East, India, and China in jobs ranging from finance and business to journalism to church and parachurch ministries.

"We reach out to students who do not want to be full-time pastors or (Bible) teachers, but who want to live out the Gospel wherever they are," Ms. Rebman said. "Our goal is to give people a glimpse of what it looks like to live life missionally – to understand that God is working around the world and in their lives.

"When they go to church, they remember what it was like to go to church in Rwanda or India. When they pray, they remember that people are praying around the world."

That educational experience means matching students with interests or

passions, as Kaity Kopeski, editor-in-chief of *The Triangle*, Bryan's student



newspaper found while writing articles for Operation Mobilization in Jordan this summer. It could be the experience of Diana Rice who worked in a business office in Ireland, supporting missionaries in the field. "She realized she is gifted in finance and is not marginalized because she doesn't want to speak to thousands," Ms. Rebman said. "She can be part of a support team that is valuable."

In the same way, Ms. Yager found her summer "job" of checking on and encouraging interns in India helped her put in practice her passion for reaching out to society's outcasts.

"I went as a staff member to

walk with (interns) Andrew McPeak, Kristen Phelps, and Seth Flores and joined what they were doing, including visiting ministries in leper colonies and hospitals," she said.

"Being in India brought the Bible alive to me in deeper ways than ever before. In the Bible, lepers were outcasts, unclean. It's that way in India. The power of our going in as white Westerners to touch them, to spend time with them, is enormous. I had the incredible opportunity to share the Word with them. I talked about the woman with the issue of blood for 12 years and Jesus healed her, how He healed lepers. I told them that your family might have left you, but Jesus never will."

While some projects were planned, others came as last-minute opportunities.

Her team traveled to the city of Pondicherry with one goal in mind, but when they reached their destination the project director told them "We need you to teach us, to give us an overview of the Bible."

"So each night we sat up and planned what we would do the next day, and made charts and graphs," she

explained. "In the morning we worked on an overview of the Bible. In the afternoons we did an inductive study of James. In the evenings we went to villages where Word for the World has



tutoring centers.

"Andrew, Kristen, and Seth shared in the teaching; they were really amazing. Before we left, the director

told us, 'This was the most valuable thing we have had done for us. When someone comes again, tell them to do it just like this.'

"It's the most incredible thing to do something like this, when you can't take glory to yourself, because you know God did it."

These kinds of experiences, Ms. Rebman said, pay off for the students, but also help strengthen ties between Bryan and organizations such as Word for the World in India or Operation Mobilization with locations throughout the world.

"The Acts Project is about bringing the right people into relationship with each other for God's purposes, developing relationships with really long-term results," she said.

One group she would like to develop a relationship with is Bryan alumni. "The hard thing right now is

that a lot of students are not able to raise the money they need for the internship," she said.

"This year they had to raise about \$3,500. We would like to have

Bryan alumni help support the Acts Project by offering to host internships or to support students financially."

For more information about the Acts Project, visit the web site at www.bryan.edu/acts or contact Ms. Rebman at danielle.rebman@bryan.edu.



Dr. Jones taking 2 half sabbaticals



Dr. Whit Jones has a reputation at Bryan of having an off-beat sense of humor, so it's probably to be expected that he wouldn't take a sabbatical in the normal way.

Instead of taking a semester off from teaching to study and write, Dr. Jones will spend the entire year teaching half loads both semesters, with the rest of his time working on sabbatical projects.

This fall, Dr. Jones is spending his "spare time" working on the first of what he hopes will be a series of four English texts for the textbook publisher Apologia.

He said the idea for the book came from a class he has taught for the adult Summit for several years about the relationship of the arts and literature to a life of faith. "I have had a number of adults come up to me and ask if I had a CD or DVD of the presentation, and I don't. It struck me that literature in general at the high school level is not well-taught. Many Christian adults and young people don't know how to discover or apply its insight and beauty.

Dr. Jones approached Apologia with the idea of writing a textbook for a high school introduction to literature, but the

publisher suggested he start with American literature, "since everybody has to take that. If this is successful, they want me to do a British lit text, then world lit, then an introduction to literature," he said.

The books will be written with the idea of helping a reader, particularly a Christian reader, understand the worldview of a piece of literature. "I want them to understand how to look for truth and reject the non-truth" of a piece.

Even before this project developed, Dr. Jones had submitted a revision of his doctoral dissertation to LSU Press for consideration for publication. Earlier this year, he was notified that the press would like to publish a revised revision of his study of the Southern writer Walker Percy. That will be due in early spring 2011.

Blake Hudson, vice president for advancement, said a new faculty development fund, which will support work such as Dr. Jones' as well as provide assistance for professors in their classroom or research efforts, is made possible through gifts of alumni and friends of the college. "We have many professors who pour their lives into educating students to become servants of Christ," Mr. Hudson said.

"This fund will help them stay current in their field and enhance their effectiveness in other ways. Donations may be made online at www.bryan.edu/donate_now.

New Faculty Development Fund will support professors' classroom and research efforts and help them stay current in their field.



A BRYAN CENTER in Knoxville

Bryan College is planning to open an educational center in Knoxville in January, Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies Michael Chase has announced.

Dr. Chase said Bryan has leased space for its Knoxville center in a high-visibility professional area which will be convenient for students.

Bryan will offer its degree completion and MBA programs when that move is approved by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Dr. Chase said he anticipates offering additional graduate programs once the MBA program is established.

For more information about either the MBA at Bryan or the degree completion program, visit the website at www.bryan.edu/adultstudies, email ags@bryan.edu, or call toll-free 877-256-7008.

OLIVER NORTH To Speak AT BOP BANQUET

Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North will be the featured speaker at the 2011 Bryan Opportunity Program fund-raising dinner April 14, 2011, Bryan College Vice President for Advancement Blake Hudson has announced.

The Bryan Opportunity Program provides funds for academically qualified Tennessee residents from families with limited financial resources to attend Bryan College. The program, with major funding raised through the annual dinner, supplements state and federal financial aid programs to enable students to attend Bryan with tuition and fees covered.

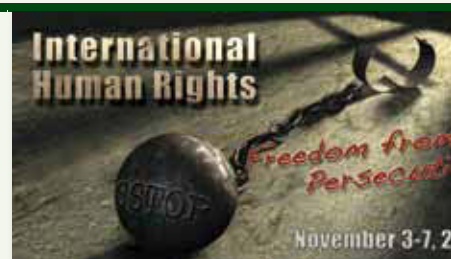
LTC North served 22 years as a U.S. Marine and received the Silver Star, the Bronze Star for Valor and two Purple Hearts for wounds in action. He served on the staff of the



National Security Council during President Reagan's administration.

He is founder of Freedom Alliance, a foundation that provides college scholarships for the sons and daughters of service members killed in action. He is author of 11 books, including *American Heroes*, based on his extensive coverage of U.S. military units engaged in Afghanistan, Iraq, and the Philippines.

The dinner will be held at the Chattanooga Convention Center beginning with a reception at 6 p.m. For more information visit the website www.bryan.edu/dinner.



FREEDOM FROM PERSECUTION

The Center for Leadership Initiatives, in conjunction with the Bryan Institute for Critical Thought and Practice, will present "International Human Rights: Freedom from Persecution," a symposium on human trafficking, Nov. 3-7.

Dr. Ron Petite, director of the Center for Leadership Initiatives, said, "If there is any phenomenon that puts civilization at risk, it is the malignant disregard for the human rights of millions of people worldwide, who suffer slavery and inhumane treatment at the hands of fellow human beings. Human Trafficking is a global menace that defies boundaries and nation-states."

Speakers for the symposium include Ann Karl, special assistant to the ambassador in the U.S. Department of State's Office to Monitor and Combat the Trafficking in Persons; Detective Sergeant Roddy Llewellyn and Detective Inspector Steve Wilkinson from New Scotland Yard; Dr. Wayne Barnard, director of student ministries for International Justice Mission; and Dr. Paul Marshall senior fellow in the Hudson Institute's Center for Religious Freedom.

Topics will range from religious freedom to law enforcement and diplomatic approaches to an understanding of victims of human trafficking.

For more information and for a symposium schedule, visit the website: www.bryan.edu/freedom.

PRESIDENTIAL MERIT SCHOLARS 2011



The Presidential Merit Scholarship is the highest academic award presented by Bryan College. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of high school grades, college entrance test scores, and an interview with faculty members. The 2011 class of Presidential Merit Scholars includes:



Allison Baker
Lakeland, Fla.
Homeschool graduate
English: secondary education major



Bethany Little
Seneca, S.C.
Oconee Christian Academy graduate
English major



Leila Barker
New Port Richey, Fla.
Homeschool graduate
Major undecided



Alexandra Rogers
Kingsport, Tenn.
Homeschool graduate
Biblical studies major



Rebecca Bodine
St. Joseph, Mich.
Homeschool graduate
Mathematics: secondary
education major



Clarissa Stewart
Cleveland, Tenn.
Homeschool graduate
Communication studies major



Joshua Grace
Chattanooga, Tenn.
Homeschool graduate
Liberal arts major



Presidential Merit Scholars are pictured before the Convocation service with Drs. Livesay, Sample, and Norris.



The Forays of William Jennings Bryan into Office-Seeking

by Kevin L. Clauson
Director, William Jennings Bryan
Center for Law & Public Policy

I. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW: BRYAN AND HIS MOTIVATIONS

Most “commoners,” when they think about William Jennings Bryan, think of him as an evangelical Christian, a crusader for what he believed was right and against what he believed was wrong, a great orator, and a high-powered lawyer who left this world on the powerful note of his work during the Scopes Trial. While they are vaguely aware that he was involved in politics, there seems to be relatively little attention paid to his extensive forays into practical politics as well as the perseverance of his political efforts. Bryan, lest we forget, ran for the House of Representatives and won, the U.S. Senate and lost, for the U.S. Presidency three times (necessitating receiving his party’s nomination three times), involved himself in other elections such

as Woodrow Wilson’s in 1912, and served as Secretary of State, an office of great significance. He was often urged to run—and considered running—for other offices. He even ran for the office of Moderator of the Presbyterian Church—there was almost no other Presbyterian denomination in those days, and so this was an extremely significant position in a very influential denomination—in 1924 and lost. The very real divide between the “Liberal/Modernists” and the “Fundamentalists”—of which Bryan was one—made politicking inevitable, and deadly serious from a spiritual point of view. As many of his Reformed colleagues in the Church—such as J. Gresham Machen, a rising conservative theologian in his own right—might have put it, it is not enough to just sit back and let God determine the outcome, since God uses means and the means in this situation involved politics.

II. BRYAN AND CONGRESS

In 1890 William Jennings Bryan, already known as a great orator and rising star in the Democratic Party, ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in Nebraska, his newly adopted state. If the past was any barometer, he had no chance. Nebraska was solidly Republican. His Nebraska political mentor, J. Sterling Morton (Democrat), had lost every office



he ran for (and that was a lot).¹ And Bryan was young, potentially competing against much older, more established party leaders for the nomination. Aside from the explanation of God's Providence, how can one explain that he pulled it off? His oratory and energy certainly helped. But in getting the nomination he (and his advisors) resorted to a more mundane procedure. He got the delegates to design the platform before the nomination vote. He dominated the platform-writing, essentially creating his own job description and creating a platform which automatically knocked out some candidates.² There was a fight, but Bryan prevailed relatively easily, starting off with a solid plurality. It did not hurt him that many farmers—and others—who were suffering from economic difficulties, became more radicalized in the 1890s, making them more open to a Bryan Populism. He also tweaked some of his long-held positions during the general election to draw more support. For example, he dropped his earlier Prohibition support (now believing it to be a meddling of government in private affairs, certainly consistent with his Jeffersonianism), although he remained an abstainer which attracted that group. He was a whirlwind campaigner in an age of behind-the-scenes and "front porch" campaigns. He was not above using (or "unusing"—a strange term to use) people. He kept his old friend J. Sterling Morton out of the campaign even though Morton had offered much help.³ He ran for re-nomination and re-election in 1892 and won, as the incumbent and engaging in his trademark frenetic campaigning.

III. BRYAN AND THE U.S. SENATE

Bryan decided to run for the Senate in 1894, a mid-term year.



This would not be the same type of campaign, since in those days senators were not directly elected by a state's voters, but rather by the state legislature. Bryan had become the chief opponent to his party's own President, Cleveland, and he tried to build on that. Bryan did campaign extensively and gave numerous speeches; he ran as if he were going to be elected by the people. Interestingly, in a non-binding popular vote allowed by Nebraska, Bryan defeated all opponents by a huge margin. But Republicans elected many legislators to the statehouse, and Bryan alienated the more conservative Democrats by publically supporting Populists for significant offices. The Nebraska legislature chose someone else. Perhaps this experience fueled his support for direct election of Senators, although it was an issue already on the radar screen.

IV. BRYAN AND THE PRESIDENCY

Bryan left the U.S. House of Representatives in March 1895. However he was energized. He was famous, he was the voice of a large faction of the Democratic Party (possibly a majority) and some Republicans, he was a major player, and he was being promoted by various individuals around the country. And he was promoting himself, traveling to various states, not only giving speeches but also meeting with various significant office-holders in those states. He was building support. Bryan sought the nomination in a national party convention. He of course is well-known for delivering his "Cross of Gold" speech at that convention. That did not clinch the nomination

however. There were numerous competitors, most regional, and there was the larger split between Cleveland-type conservatives and the Bryan Populists. Clearly with those kinds of obstacles he had to have more than oratory. He had to do a lot of politicking in the hall. Bryan won the nomination on the fifth ballot. Almost immediately many Democrats turned against him, some alleging socialism. By far the most interesting political feature of his 1896 campaign against William McKinley was the style of the campaigns. McKinley pretty much stayed at home. Bryan engaged in what may be seen as the first modern-style presidential campaign. He traveled 18,000 miles across the country, by train giving hundreds of speeches some very short and unscheduled, to hundreds of groups, large and small and perhaps as many as five million people total.⁴ Bryan lost, though not by a landslide.

He ran for the presidency twice more, in 1900 and 1908. Democrats had little to offer against Bryan. And Populism (and its first cousin, Progressivism) was gaining momentum. Ironically that was the problem in 1900 when Bryan had to run against William McKinley and his vice presidential running-mate, Teddy Roosevelt, himself an energetic Progressive. Bryan lost by a slightly larger margin than in 1896. So how did he capture the nomination in 1908? Previous factors all came into play. In addition, Bryan had begun to build a somewhat disciplined organization outside the party. He also moderated his tone on certain issues such as government ownership of railroads.⁵ Bryan lost





again, by his largest margin yet. In fairness, he was running against Theodore Roosevelt's hand-picked supposedly Progressive successor and thus, behind the scenes, against the popular TR himself.

V. CONCLUSION: THE "POLITICAL" BRYAN AFTER THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS

William Jennings Bryan did not cease to be involved in politics after he lost his third run for the presidency. He flirted with a run in 1912 but did not. (Woodrow Wilson won in a crowded and illustrious field.) He served for a time as Wilson's Secretary of State, usually as a voice for American non-interventionism in foreign affairs.

After that, Bryan really seemed to shift gears, devoting an increasing amount of his time and energy to speaking in defense of Fundamentalist Christianity or Fundamentalist causes. The impact of Bryan the Politician should not be dismissed, despite the fact that the

only elective office he ever won was a House of Representatives seat from Nebraska for two terms.

Why has William Jennings Bryan been so long remembered—and revered? Of course his famed oratory. Of course his principled position-taking. Of course his persistence (one of only a small handful of politicians who sought the presidency more than twice). All are true, and good reasons.

However, as a politician, Bryan changed the Democratic Party, a change which has been greatly expanded and has never been repudiated, though even Bryan might balk at that expansion today. Bryan lifted the art of oratory—and morality—in political campaigns to new heights. Bryan more or less set the pattern for modern political campaigning, traveling and speaking everywhere, so it seemed, even using the most modern technology of the day, the train, analogous to our modern politicians' use of the airplane. In fact, Bryan never really stopped campaigning until his death, albeit after his loss in 1908, turning his considerable skills to non-political causes.

For Evangelical Christians, Bryan remains somewhat of an icon, albeit with some unconventional views on some specific public policies, from both a "Christian Right" and a "Christian Left" perspective, because he was such an outspoken Fundamentalist/

Evangelical who rose to such high political heights—and stayed there for so long. He was a Christian and he was a politician.

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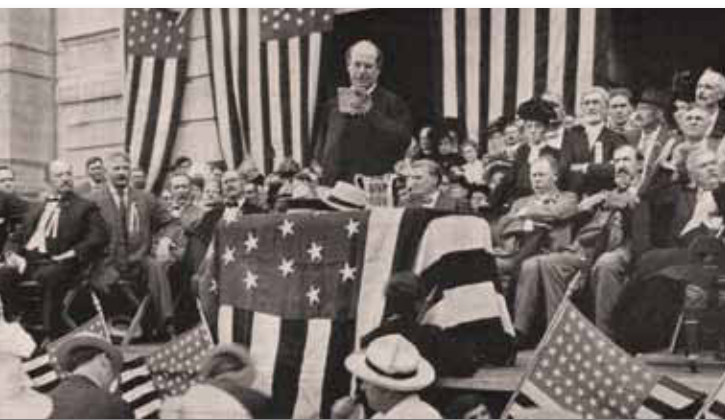
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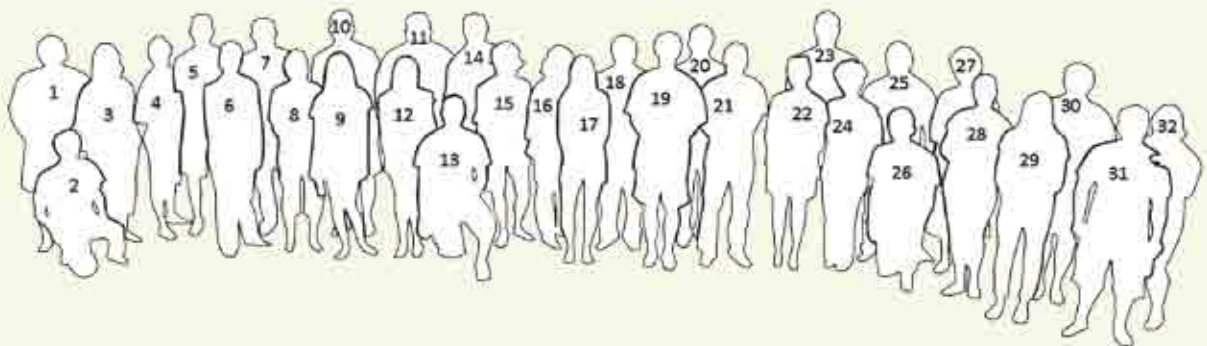


CARRYING ON THE TRADITION!



Among the new students who enrolled at Bryan this fall were 14 children of alumni.
Pictured, from left, is the new group of alumni families including:

1 Mark Habermas	'87	13 Ike Meyers	'14	25 Irv Barth	'84
2 Matthew Habermas	'14	14 Doug Meyers	'85	26 Aaron Barth	'14
3 Lori Habermas		15 Carylee (Gilmer) Meyers	'85		
4 Carol (Cummings) Giles	'86	16 Cathy (Robertson) Barnett	'78	27 Darlene (Ragland) LaPlue	'81
5 Christian Giles	'14	17 Joy Barnett	'14	28 Caroline LaPlue	'14
		18 Morris Barnett	'79	29 Corrie Walker	'14
6 Cristina Smith	'14			30 Danny Walker	'84
7 Scott Smith	'81	19 Christopher Price	'13		
		20 Jim Price	'95	31 Jakob Ricketts	'14
8 Joy (Thompson) Hooker	'83			32 Paulakay (Franks) Ricketts	'84
9 Sarah Hooker	'14	21 Luke Ebersole	'13		
10 Scott Hooker	'82	Harold Ebersole (<i>Not pictured</i>)	'80		
11 Jerry Levensgood	'76	22 Clarissa Stewart	'14		
12 Stephanie Levensgood	'14	23 Steve Stewart	'85		
		24 Lisa (Barth) Stewart	'87		



Dr. Jeff Myers

Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders

*S*ay “professor,” and the picture that most likely pops into mind is a teacher in front of a classroom.

But Dr. Jeff Myers, associate professor of communication studies, may be found on a platform speaking to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of parents or students as often as he is in a classroom at Bryan College. Or he might be in a conference room, leading a board meeting for Summit Ministries, or perhaps in front of a camera, recording a lesson designed to teach teachers how best to reach young hearts and minds for Christ.

“Everything in my life is focused on preparing the next generation of leaders,” Dr. Myers said. “I do four things: teach at Bryan College, run a company that produces leadership training material, I’m chairman of Summit Ministries Colorado, and am president of Passing the Baton International.”

Although it may be unusual in a liberal arts college such as Bryan to have a professor off campus so much, both Dr. Myers and college administrators have found that this arrangement benefits both parties.

“About 13 years ago as I was working with (Dr.) Bill Brown (then president of Bryan College) about Summit, we realized that there is good synergy between what Bryan is doing and what I am doing through other ventures. Bryan



wanted a biblical worldview emphasis with life-on-life discipleship, and that is critical to what I do," he said.

That interest shown by Dr. Brown is shared by his successor, Dr. Stephen Livesay. "Jeff reaches many people with the message of what Bryan College is all about," Dr. Livesay said. "He is out doing significant Kingdom work and he enriches our ministry here. He is a gifted speaker and teacher and our students benefit from his being part of the faculty."

With Dayton as his home base, Dr. Myers teaches a leadership class to undergraduates in the fall, and teaches two cohort groups in the MBA program throughout the year. "I love teaching in the MBA program," he said. "The adults are highly motivated and well-connected in the Chattanooga business world. They appreciate the education and mentoring they are getting from Bryan."

Because of his travel schedule, he maintains a virtual "office," connecting with students outside of class by phone or the Internet. "If they contact me, they know I'll be back with them within 24 hours," he said. "I've learned how to coach students through telephone calls." But he also spends considerable time around the lunch table with individuals or groups of students when he is in

town.

"When I travel to work with other groups, I bring Bryan College to people who may never have heard of it," he explained. "I'm not speaking as an admissions representative but as someone who teaches there. Over time, Bryan has gained favor with groups I work with. For instance, we have Summit Ministries on campus, where hundreds of students are taught by Bryan faculty."

In addition to teaching his leadership class this fall, Dr. Myers is beginning to promote a new mentoring program, "The Cultivate Project," to encourage and instruct adults who wish to build into the lives of the next generation of Christian leaders. (For more information, visit the website: www.thecultivateproject.org.)

"I could never do this without the support of my wife and family," he said. "I was traveling and speaking when Danielle and I got married, so my family has always been involved with my ministry. Because we homeschool our kids, we're also able to travel together



quite a bit, which not only keeps us connected but builds what I hope will be life-long memories."

Jeff Myers' Fall Schedule

October

- 1 Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) district meeting
Dallas, TX
- 2-3 Council for National Policy
Laguna Niguel, CA
- 5 ACSI district meeting Little Rock, AR
- 6 ACSI district meeting San Antonio, TX
- 7 ACSI district meeting Amarillo, TX
- 8 ACSI district meeting El Paso, TX
- 12 ACSI district meeting Houston, TX
- 13 ACSI district meeting Lafayette, LA
- 14 ACSI district meeting McAllen, TX
- 15 ACSI district meeting
Oklahoma City, OK
- 28-29 ACSI teacher conference Topeka, KS

November

- 22 Lutheran teacher conference
Livermore, CA
- 23 ACSI teacher conference Dallas, TX

December

- 3-4 Summit Ministries board meeting
Colorado Springs, CO



CID Center for International Development

Aids STUDENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE

Bryan's Center for International Development has become a two-way street, benefitting students and professionals in Eastern Europe as well as Bryan College students in both undergraduate and MBA programs.

The center, which has sponsored more than 170 programs in its seven-year history, has expanded its outreach from the more academic endeavors of its early days to projects such as a women's retreat on the Christian view of marriage in the Czech Republic and an evangelistic outreach in Romania.

"We have a particular emphasis on communicating a Christian worldview to the peoples of the former Marxist nations of Central and Eastern Europe," center Director Dennis Miller said.

The Marxist heritage of these countries has made discussion of Christian faith a challenge, but a challenge the Bryan team works to meet.



Cathy Barker, translator Kristina Cagalincova, and Justice Barker at Trencin University

William "Mickey" Barker, who retired two years ago as chief justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court, traveled to the Czech Republic on behalf of the Center several years before he retired. His purpose "was not for humanitarian reasons primarily, but to be a missionary. If you can't witness in the classroom, you need to come up with a way to do it," he said.

His approach was to have his audience divide into smaller groups, with a missionary serving in the



area. "They had legal ethics questions to discuss and come up with solutions," he said. While the academic purpose was accomplished, his ultimate goal was for students to develop a relationship with missionaries which could lead to a presentation of the Gospel.

Retired U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Vance Fry has traveled to the Czech Republic twice with the Center for International Development, and is weighing the possibility of a third trip in the near future. With other efforts on behalf of similar organizations, Adm. Fry said he is trying to live out the idea contained in the title of a book he read: *From Success to Significance*.

"I got to age 65 and had been reasonably successful. God has been good to me personally, my family, financially. I decided it was time to start giving back, so I dedicated about half my time to overseas missions and local Christian charities," he said.

In his work with the Center, he has spoken to military personnel, university students, and potential entrepreneurs, covering topics such as leadership skills, ethics, and starting a small business.

"I had some chance to give some of my testimony," he said. "You couldn't be too heavy on it because that might close the door. But with teaching leadership and ethics it is quite appropriate to refer to Bible stories."

Like Justice Barker, Adm. Fry found it effective to have missionaries or local Christians interact with small groups dealing with issues raised in his presentation. "The key is to have believers salted among the groups, to get to know people and maintain a relationship. It's a missions agenda."

Dr. Adina Scruggs, assistant dean of academic affairs, used Mr. Miller's contacts to organize a trip to Brno and Olomouc in the Czech Republic earlier this year for MBA students to pilot an international



Retired U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Vance Fry

internship program.

Jason Reynolds, one of the students, said. "I've always found hands-on experience to be one of the best teachers, and I felt my work at (a community center in Brno) was just as educational as an MBA class. It's given me an

appreciation for the good that a consultant can do for an organization and a desire to do this sort of work in the future. Helping a Christian organization was an added benefit."

Assistance to Eastern Europe often has taken the form of inviting leaders from that area to speak to Bryan College and University of Tennessee-Chattanooga classes and to civic organizations in this area.

"Dennis has brought over one of his contacts (Dr. Eva Havelkova, former U.N. official and social justice advocate) a couple of times, and she has spoken to the Chattanooga Rotary Club," Justice Barker said. "As a result, the Rotary Club has gotten involved with financial support for a home for battered women in Bratislava."

Dr. Scruggs said she has arranged for continuing interaction for MBA and Bryan degree completion students to take advantage of speakers provided through the Center's efforts. Dr. Jeff Boyce, associate

professor of business, said he is investigating the possibility of programs for his students in the traditional program such as the MBA students have experienced.

At the same time, Justice Barker is enthusiastic about the possibilities of the Center's program. "I've encouraged others to do" something like he did, he said.

Bryan President Stephen Livesay praised the efforts of the Center and those who have cooperated in projects in Eastern Europe. "The Center allows us to network with many outstanding Christian business and professional leaders. They have the opportunity to expand their ministries and use their expertise to communicate to others in their professions a Christian worldview. In many cases this has the added benefit of opening ministry and study opportunities for Bryan students, which greatly enhances the value of a Bryan education."

For more information about the Center for International Development or to find out ways to participate in its projects, contact Dennis Miller at demiller@bryan.edu, or by phone at 423-634-1114.



Adm. Fry speaking to military personnel in the Czech Republic



From left are Dr. Livesay, Bill Forsyth, and Al Forsyth, pictured with a bust of the Forsyths' great-grandfather William Jennings Bryan.

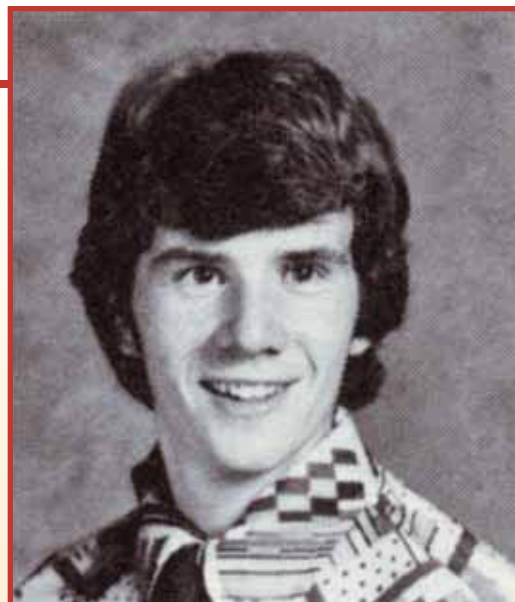
the college is named. "I invited them to come back and bring their families when we dedicate the museum," Dr. Livesay said. "They seemed eager to do that."

Before leaving the Bryan campus, they visited the college archives which include pictures and artifacts related to William Jennings Bryan. One picture they had never seen before caught their attention because it shows their mother standing beside William Jennings Bryan at his outdoor Sunday school class in Miami, Fla.

Bryan Descendants Visit Campus

William Jennings Bryan "Bill" Forsyth of Albuquerque, N.M., and his older brother, Al Forsyth of Logan, Utah, great-grandsons of William Jennings Bryan, this summer visited Bryan College, the Rhea County Courthouse, and other sites connected with their great-grandfather.

They met with President Livesay, who discussed plans to create a museum devoted to honoring Mr. Bryan, for whom



*D*o you remember the very first day you stepped onto Bryan College campus as a new student?

I never saw the campus until my first day as a freshman in 1976. My parents dropped me off and according to my mother, drove two hours back toward Texas and had to pull over because she was crying so much. (Some of you are thinking they were tears of joy, but I digress...)

I got my red and gold beanie, my class schedule, and an invitation to the President's Reception, an event that truly terrified me. It was a blind date, and I got to formally meet the President, all in one short period of time. I was blessed to have Margaret Luck Jones as my date, and she teases me to this day about how I dropped her off early. (My social skills needed work!) There were stories of dorm rooms being trashed while we were at the reception.

Today is a very different story. Gone are the beanies and bibs, blind dates and destroyed dorm rooms. Instead, there is a small army of upperclassmen who come back early, just to help with the adjustments new students have to make. They help empty the occasional U-Haul, and lend assistance to all new students with their luggage and belongings. As for initiations, my nephew called me last week, blown away at his "hazing." "They washed MY FEET!" he exclaimed. He was truly expecting to be forced to run through the woods or be covered in chocolate or something.

New students also are divided into small orientation groups, with upperclassmen as their leaders. These groups do various activities around campus as well as in faculty and staff homes. They are given multiple ways to connect and feel welcome.

Today's Bryan College is very intentional about connecting with new students, about living out Christ Above All. We have talked many times about that very thing, and once again, it is being demonstrated in very real ways.

My fellow alums, there is much going on around campus. Landes Way offers a beautiful entrance to the college, new townhouses are now home to more than 60 students, the new softball field is in, and work is being done to further beautify the campus. The most important work, however, is being done by faculty and staff, preparing these young people to become servants of Christ to make a difference in today's world.

You have increased your support of the college, and I am truly grateful. God is doing some wonderful things on campus, and I invite you to come back at your earliest convenience, pull up a chair at the Table of Fellowship, and see firsthand what He is doing. It is YOUR turn to come back to school!

In His Grace,

David Tromanhauser
Alumni Director





1960s

DR. DAVID FISHER, '67, pastor of Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims in Brooklyn, N.Y., has received a Cheshunt Fellowship to study at Westminster College, Cambridge University, in the spring of 2012. He plans to write, do research, and attend classes. He is writing a book on pastoral theology, a follow-up to his first book, *The 21st Century Pastor* (Zondervan, 1996), and hopes to continue the series with a book about Paul as a pastoral theologian. Plymouth Church, where Henry Ward Beecher preached in the 19th century, is experiencing renewal and growth, David said, "a wonderful gift of grace and demographics!"

1970s

CAROL (WILSON) MOORE, '72, retired this year after more than 30 years of service as a classroom teacher. Most of her career was spent at Westminster Academy in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.,

Carol Moore and Family



The Gelatt Family

where she taught elementary and middle school, specializing in English and history. She was one of their pilot teachers for a classical studies program, and also served as an adjunct professor at a local college. Now she is tutoring and teaching high school English in two homeschool co-ops. She and her husband, Paul, have been married for 38 years and have two daughters and four grandchildren. They live in Pompano Beach, Fla.

1980s

BILL BUFTON, '82x, basketball coach and athletics director at Fort Bend Baptist Academy in Sugarland, Texas, has been named Texas Private School Coaches Association State Coach of the Year for basketball. Bill said, "It's very humbling to be selected a coach of the year, especially in a state like Texas. There are a lot of really good coaches, so it's an honor."

1990s

MICAH, '98x, and **JOHANNA (ZIEG), '97, GELATT** have moved to Little Rock, Ark., where they are serving as missionaries with Campus Crusade for Christ's FamilyLife ministry. They have four children, Josiah, 8; Ethan, 5; Emma, 3; and Abigail, 1. They can be contacted at www.gelattfamily.com.

MANUEL "MANNY," '99, and **RACHEL (PENDERGRASS), '02, CARRIL** announce the birth of their son, Manuel C. Carril IV, on May 20, 2010. The Carril family lives in Dayton, Tenn.

2000s

ZAC BROWN, '01, has been named principal of East Ridge High School in Chattanooga, Tenn., after serving as an assistant principal at Hixson High School in Chattanooga. Zac and his wife, **TOKS (OLOWOLA), '04**, live in Ooltewah, Tenn.

The Carril Family





The Stevens Family

TRAVIS, '01, and Canaan **STEVENS** announce the birth of their fourth child, Georgia Vaill, on June 11, 2010, in St. Augustine, Fla. Georgia weighed 7 lbs, 13 oz., and was 19.5 inches long. She joins siblings Riley, Luke, and Galilee. The Stevens family lives in Elkton, Fla.

RACHEL (HELD) EVANS, '03, announces the publication of her first book, *Evolving in Monkey Town: How a Girl Who Knew All the Answers Learned to Ask the Questions* (Zondervan, 2010). The book is available on Amazon.com and at major bookstores around the country.

JENNY RUARK, '03, and Luke Haddad were married Aug. 1, 2009. Jenny is the daughter of **RON** and **NANCY (ALDRICH) RUARK**, both '80. Ron officiated the ceremony, with alumni in the wedding party including **KAURI TALLANT, '03**; **RACHAEL (PALMER) BAILES, '03**; **HEIDI REW, '03x**; **HEATHER MCCLURE, '09x**; **SCOTT RUARK, '10x**; and **JEFF RUARK, '08x**. Alumni attending included **LAURA (SMITH) STRODE, '03**; **AMANDA (IMMEL) ERICKSON, '04**; **JASON ERICKSON,**

'99; **LISANNE BOLING, '03**; **ASHLEY CRISWELL, '06**; **BETH (REESE) WOOF, '80**; **MARY (BARRETT) ZOPFI, '81**; **DAVID ZOPFI, '80**; **DAVID TROMANHAUSER, '80**; **ANNA (BARTH) TROMANHAUSER, '82**; and **VICKI (RUARK) WELTY, '78**. Jenny and Luke live in Canton, Mich., where Luke teaches and Jenny tutors and is a caregiver for a couple with Alzheimer's.

MIGUEL AYLLON, '04, and Jessica Moser were married May, 30, 2010, in Columbia, Mo. Miguel has worked at the University of Missouri in Columbia since August 2008 and is residence hall coordinator for the Department of Residential Life. He is president of the Hispanic-Latin American Faculty & Staff Association. Jessica works selling commercial furniture for a local company. They met at their church, where Jessica leads the young professional ministry and Miguel leads men's Bible studies.

MELODY SHETTER, '04, and William Sergeant were married Dec. 5, 2009, in Grandview, Tenn. Bryan alumni in the wedding included **BRYAN DAY, '03**, who sang; **DWIGHT**



Jessica & Miguel Ayllon

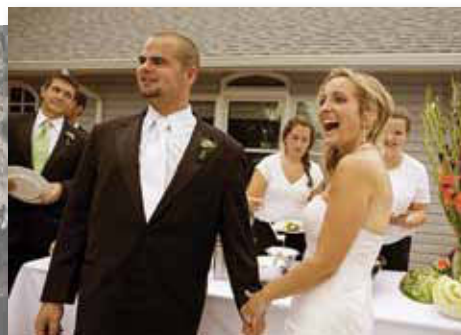
ZIMMERMAN, '59, who read scripture; **KIM TUTTLE, '84**, who coordinated the wedding; bridesmaid **TOKS (OLOWOLA) BROWN, '04**; and matron of honor **ELIZABETH (LAXON) GREGORY, '04**. Student Brian Mullennix was a groomsman. The Sergeants live in Wolf Creek, Tenn.

MINDY GENTRY, '06, and Scott Britt were married June 12, 2010, in Dayton, Tenn. **ASHLEY HIXSON, '06**, served as maid of honor and **LAURABETH HIXSON, '09**, was a bridesmaid. Mindy's brother, Taylor, a Bryan senior, was a groomsman. Scott is an electrical engineer working with Bechtel Corp. Scott and Mindy live in Spring City, Tenn.

JOEL MCLEAN, '07, and **EMILY MEZNAR, '07**, were married March 21, 2010, in Clemmons, N.C. Alumni in the wedding party included **JOHN SCHINDLER, '07**; **PHILIP MEZNAR, '10**; **BONNIE-MARIE YAGER, '07**; **RENEE (HEBERLIG) VAN REED, '07**; **LAURA FURLOUGH, '07x**; and **ALLISON MCLEAN, '10x**. Alumni and current students attending included **LARRY ROSS, '63x**; **BARBARA (RIDDER) DECK, '58**;



Rachel (Held) Evans



Jenny & Luke Haddad



The Sergeant Family



Emily & Joel Mclean



Jacqueline & Bryan Roth

SANDY (ROSS) PIERCE, '84; JOHN PIERCE, '86; LEONARD MEZNAR, '51; JOAN (MEZNAR) GOUWENS, '78; MARTY MEZNAR, '82; LINDA (ROSS) MEZNAR, '82; JENNY (MEZNAR) CHRISTIAANSE, '79; BLAKELEY (SPENCER) EDGERTON, '07; BRIAN EDGERTON, '07; SAM FORRESTER, '07; DANIELLE (MITCHELL) FORRESTER, '07; DANA PERRY, '07x; Natalie McGehee, Jordan Pilgrim, and Bryan Boling. Emily and Joel live in Granger, Ind.

CALEB and LEANNE (MCDANIEL) RAGLAND, both '08, announce the birth of their son Charlie Caleb on May 12, 2010. Charlie weighed 8 lbs, 6.5 oz., and was 23 inches long. The Ragland family lives in Magnolia, Ky., where Caleb is a farmer and Leanne is enjoying being a mom.

CHUCK ROSE, '08, and ASHLEY MARKUSSON, '09, were married April 17, 2010, on Lookout Mountain, Ga. Alumni in the wedding party included **ASHLEY BULLIS, '08; CASSIE-MARIE (BUNDY) DEMME, '09x; KIRSTEN MEBERG, '09; JESSICA PHILLIPS, '09x;** and

SARAH URIE, '09; and student Andrew McPeak. Also attending were **CAITLYN BORONOW, '10; KATIE SWOPE, '08; LAURA (MCFADDEN) PAUL, '08; ALLISON (CUNNINGHAM), '09, and DAVID PARK, '08;** and student Lydia Steele. The Roses live in Atlanta.

JACQUELINE HOLUBZ, '08, and Bryan Roth were married May 8, 2010, in Dahlonga, Ga. Alumni in the wedding party included **DEMI BARDSLEY, '08x; JOANNE OLSON, '08; ANDRA (BRANSON) ALLEN, '08; and TRISHA EWING, '09.** The Roths live in Woodstock, Ga., where Bryan is a lead tech/estimator at Wilkes Solutions and Jacqueline is finishing her Master's in Teaching English.

JOSEPH DEMME, '09, and CASSIE-MARIE BUNDY, '09x, were married March 6, 2010, in Franklin, N.C. Alumni in the wedding party included best man **MATTHEW SAMSEL, '09;** groomsmen **PHILLIP JOHNSTON, '10; ISAAC DEMME, '04; ETHAN DEMME, '05; NATHAN HILL, '09;** and **DAVID THOMAS, '09;** maids of honor **JESSICA PHILLIPS,**

'09, and ASHLEY (MARKUSSON) ROSE, '09; and bridesmaids **KERI-LYNN PAULSON, '00; TARA STEWART, '11x; SARAH PHILLIPS, '09x; KIRSTEN MEBERG, '09; SARAH URIE, '09; and HEATHER O'BRIEN, '09.**

DAVID BEISNER, '09, and Leigh Berner, a continuing student, were married May 9, 2010, at Dayton's Pocket Wilderness. They live in Dayton where David works for Bryan's Advancement department.

2010s

MILLIE JONES, '10, has had two poems selected for publication in the fall 2010 edition of *The Christendom Review*, a literary journal. Millie received the William Jennings Bryan Philological Award in recognition of her accomplishments as an English major this spring.

The Ragland Family



Cassie-Marie & Joseph Demme



Leigh & David Beisner



A Living Memorial of Helping Students

Charles Robinson spent 11 years on staff promoting Bryan College, but a scholarship he endowed honors the life of service and love for the college of his late wife.

Dr. Robinson was hired in 1972 as public relations director, handling matters as diverse as news releases about students, directing the summer Bible conference, and raising awareness about the college in churches and businesses in Chattanooga.

He had heard about the college from his earliest days in Philadelphia, Pa., as "Bryan was the only Christian College that we knew about in my church community." Later, as he and his wife, Anna, began pastoral and missionary work in Tennessee and Kentucky he learned more.

"We used to help Bryan a bit," he said. "We had the choir and the Gospel Messengers come to my church." Then Mrs. Robinson came to a summer Bible conference with their daughter and a woman from their church in Jacksboro, Tenn., and the connection was made.

"While they were at the college they had a morning prayer meeting and (Bryan President Dr.) Ted Mercer came in with a prayer request. He had an opening in public relations that he needed to fill. He asked if they knew anybody to tell him. Anna went to him and said, 'I think my husband can do it.' I about crowned her when I found out. The job description had a lot of things that I had never done."



Dr. Robinson as director of Public Relations at Bryan.



Dr. Robinson and Bailey Payne, '10, a recipient of the Anna C. Robinson Memorial Scholarship

Despite what he perceived as a lack of experience, he was offered the job. Dr. Robinson insists that "If it hadn't been for the people around me, like Rebecca Peck (Hoyt), I couldn't have done anything." But he did the job well enough to stay for 11 years, until his retirement in 1983, and even worked that year part-time as a representative for the college in the area.

After his retirement, he continued writing a weekly Sunday school lesson that at one time was published in 76 newspapers. Today, it is still published in the Dayton, Tenn., *Herald-News*.

When Mrs. Robinson died after 63 years of marriage, Dr. Robinson chose to establish the Anna C. Robinson Memorial Scholarship in her memory. "She loved Bryan College," he said. "I thought helping students who were preparing for church-related vocations was fitting. All her life she had been a missionary, a pastor's wife, a witness. She was quite involved. I felt that a living memorial was better than a stone on her grave or flowers. She is remembered annually when the award is presented."

The scholarship is awarded each year to students majoring in Biblical Studies or Christian Ministry preparing for a church-related ministry.

Jim Barth, director of planned giving, said Dr. Robinson's gift is one of a number of ways to assist students and benefit the college. For more information, contact him at 423-775-7280 or by email at barthji@bryan.edu.

Memorial Gifts

There are many ways for you to make a gift in remembrance of someone special that will have meaningful significance for years to come. Here are a few options to consider:

A MEMORIAL GIFT OF CASH OR PROPERTY

A gift of cash is one of the simplest ways to remember your loved one or a friend. You receive a tax deduction for the value of your gift to Bryan College. When you make your gift, you will designate the person you wish to remember and the best way that we can honor them.

If you are making a memorial gift of appreciated stock or real estate, your deduction may depend on the type of property gifted. Please call us to discuss the treatment of your gift and the best way to transfer your property to Bryan College, or log on to our website at www.BryanGift.org for more information about gifts of property.



MAKE A DEDUCTIBLE GIFT AND RECEIVE LIFE INCOME

You may wish to make a memorial gift while providing current life income for yourself. If you are looking for ways to increase your income you might consider these options for memorial gifts:

Gift Annuity

With a memorial gift annuity, you make a gift of your cash or appreciated property in honor of someone and we promise to pay you fixed income for life (with rates based on your age). You receive a charitable deduction for the value of your gift. What's left after you pass away goes to Bryan College as a gift in memory of your loved one. Contact us if you are interested in reviewing a gift annuity proposal.



Unitrust

If your memorial gift is made to fund a charitable remainder trust, you can receive income monthly, quarterly or annually. You receive a charitable deduction for your gift this year and avoid paying capital gains tax on the sale of your appreciated assets. The remainder passes to us as a gift in memory of your loved one. Please contact us for more information on charitable trust plans.



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Matthew 5:14, 16

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KERMIT ZOPFI, '50x, of Dayton, Tenn., former Bryan College dean of students and instructor in Christian education, died July 7, 2010.

BARBARA (BECKER) MCINTOSH, '53x, of Xenia, Ohio, died June 21, 2010.

JOHN VANDERDRIFT, '60x, of Zellwood, Fla., died Dec. 16, 2009.

CAROLE (OTTESON) MAWHINNEY, '69x, of Bensalem, Pa., died June 2, 2010.

FREDERICK G. BEDFORD, '86H, and former professor of French and Spanish at Bryan, died Aug. 5, 2010, in Dayton, Tenn.

GREGORY DEAN SANTMIER, '01x, of Tampa, Fla., died March 22, 2010.



David Beisner filmed and produced two videos for the Dayton Rotary Club this summer. One was a welcome for the club's new president; the other was a highlights video of one of their meetings. He also filmed a video for the United Way at the beginning of this semester.

Dr. Brian Eisenback was lead author of a paper published in the August 2010 issue of *The Journal of Economic Entomology*. The paper, based on Dr. Eisenback's doctoral dissertation, is titled "Lethal and sublethal effects of imidacloprid on Hemlock Woolly Adelgid and two introduced predator species."

Caleb Fendrich, Chris Henderson, Dennis Scheidt, and Lindsay Wolfe attended the North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals' admissions counselor workshop at Anderson University in Anderson, S.C., in August.

Dr. Gary Fitsimmons publishes a quarterly column, "The Small Library Perspective: Library Leadership," in *The Bottom Line: Managing Library Finances*. His column has appeared since 2007.

Dr. Raymond Legg had published an entry, "Cotton Mather," in the 2010 *Encyclopedia of Christian Literature*. He also had published an entry on "The Anglican Mission in the Americas," highlighting the growth of the Anglican Church in post-genocide Rwanda, for the forthcoming Baker Books desk reference on modern Christianity.

Dr. David Luther performed as a soloist for the community outdoor concert series presented by First Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, in May. In July, he performed as a

soloist at Hillside Covenant Church in Walnut Creek, Calif. In August, he attended the Hinshaw Celebration Music Conference in Raleigh, N.C.

Dr. Sigrid Luther attended the Tennessee Music Teachers Association conference in June in Chattanooga where she gave the keynote speech at the banquet, adjudicated auditions, and presided at two master classes. She attended the Music Teacher National Association board of directors' meeting in July. She serves as vice president of the organization, and has completed a handbook for national performance competition coordinators. She also is directing the membership committee in a recruitment and retention initiative.

Dr. Michele Pascucci attended the Tennessee State Court Interpreter Ethics and Skill Building workshop in Nashville in August.

Dr. Drew Randle was chapel speaker at Cumberland Springs Bible Camp in Dayton, Tenn., in July.

Dr. Roger Sanders received an Appalachian College Association fellowship and traveled to New York, the Smithsonian Institution, the Chicago Field Museum, and the Missouri Botanic Garden to conduct research on the plant *lantana*. He presented a paper titled "Baraminic Status of the Verbenaceae (Verbena Family)" in July at the annual joint conference of BSG: A Creation Biology Study Group and the Creation Geology Society.

Dr. Todd Wood attended the Evolution 2010 conference in Portland, Ore. He presented two papers at the joint conference of BSG: A Creation Biology Study Group

and the Creation Geology Society in July: "Species and Genus Counts for Terrestrial Mammal Families Reveals Evidence for and against Widespread Intra-baraminic Diversification," and "A Re-evaluation of the Baraminic Status of *Australopithecus sediba* Using Cranial and Postcranial Characters."

Bonnie-Marie Yager spent three weeks in India working with Acts Project interns and Bryan's partners at Word for the World, and spoke at the Mumbai Christian Workers Seminar. She also spoke to the Scenic City Women's Network in July in Chattanooga.

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Family, Friends Honor Loved Ones With Scholarships

Two scholarships were established this summer honoring family members and friends and seeking to make a Bryan education affordable for deserving students.

Families and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Zopfi and Dr. and Mrs. Irving Jensen have underwritten the Zopfi/Jensen Presidential Scholarship, which was awarded for the first time this fall. Also, Jonathan and Pamela Bennett have established the Robert and Grace L. Bennett Scholarship, to benefit children of overseas missionaries.



Kermit & Gleneale Zopfi

Kermit Zopfi, a member of the Bryan Class of 1950, served as instructor in Christian education in the 1950s and as dean of students from 1972 to 1985. His wife, Gleneale, served as the college switchboard operator and as a secretary for 20 years. Their work at the college was interrupted by 18 years of missionary service in Germany.

Dr. Irving Jensen served for 30 years as professor of Bible, incorporating the inductive method of Bible study into his curriculum. His wife, Charlotte, served as his typist and proofreader for his more than 70 Bible study books, many of which remain in print.



Irving & Charlotte Jensen

Robert and Grace Bennett shared a heart for missions until Mr. Bennett died earlier this year. Mr. Bennett served as missionary treasurer for many years at their church in Gates Mills, Ohio, and on the board of directors of Cumberland Springs Bible Camp in Dayton, Tenn., which was founded by Mrs. Bennett's father.

The Jensens' children and their spouses, Donna, '76, and Phil, '75, Carter; Karen, '78, and Steve Collins; and Bob, '80, and Becky, '81, Jensen; the Zopfis' children and their spouses, Doug, '80, and Barb Zopfi; David, '80, and Mary, '81, Zopfi; and Carol, '81, and John Brown; and family friends Jon, '81, and Linda, '82, Tubbs have funded the Zopfi/Jensen Presidential Scholarship.

Jon Tubbs said, "By contributing to the Zopfi/Jensen Presidential Scholarship, it allows Linda and me to honor two families that have embodied the motto Christ Above All. These men and their families have left an indelible mark on the lives of so many during their years of service at Bryan. This scholarship enables that influence to continue for years to come."

Jon Bennett said, "We established the (Bennett) scholarship because we want the children of overseas missionaries to be able to attend Bryan College and receive the benefit of a

quality Christian higher education with a distinctive biblical worldview. We realize that many missionary families make extensive sacrifices to have their children attend Christian colleges—as many of the parents did themselves—and we want to be able in a very small way to help them in this effort."

Mr. Bennett, a 1976 Bryan graduate, remembers that "the biblical worldview that permeated all of the instruction at Bryan College created a solid foundation from which I could operate in a secular corporate world while retaining biblical values. I appreciated the chapel time, where we heard a number of great speakers from various disciplines and a good mix of Christian theologians and missionaries."



Robert & Grace Bennett

The education, coupled with life-long friendships and the personal example of some of those friends who went into missionary service inspired them to create the scholarship honoring his parents, he said.

Individuals interested in honoring friends or loved ones by creating scholarships in their honor or memory may contact Steve Keck, director of development, for more information. Mr. Keck may be reached at [steve.keck@bryan.edu](mailto:keck@bryan.edu) or by phone at 423-775-7323.

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Coming this Fall...

Worldview Initiative

Fri., Oct. 29, Hilgner High Learning,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Thu. Nov. 4, Silverdale Baptist Academy,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Sun.-Tue. Nov. 14-16, Grace Christian School,
Raleigh, N.C.

Chamber Singers

Sun. Oct. 24, 11 a.m., Ogden Baptist Church,
Dayton, Tenn.

Sun. Nov. 14, 3 p.m., Fairfield Glade Community Church,
Fairfield Glade, Tenn.

Sun. Nov. 21, 11 a.m., Tyner United Methodist Church,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Performance Arts (all 7:30 p.m.)

Fri. Oct. 22, Fall Musical Showcase

featuring Bryan music faculty and students

Wed. – Sat. Oct. 27-30, *"The Oedipus Story"*

Fri. – Sat. Nov. 19-20, Opera Theatre Scenes

Thurs-Sat. Dec. 9-11, *"Scrooge! The Musical"*